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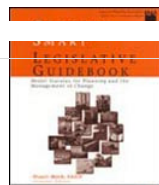
or Change, 2002 Edition (Stuart Meck, FAICP, Gen. Ed.). The *Guidebook* and its accompanying *User Manual* are the culmination of APA's seven-year Growing Smart project, an effort to draft the next generation of model planning and zoning legislation for the U.S.

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Background on Growing Smart

A Q&A with Stuart Meck, FAICP, General Editor

Background

User Manual

The *User Manual* helps those interested in statutory reform navigate through the *Guidebook* and, by means of checklists and case studies, select from the options available in the *Guidebook* and tailor a program of statutory reform that will meet the unique needs of their state.

User manual

Bibliography

The Growing Smart project has produced two downloadable bibliographies on planning statute reform.

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Enabling Act

The basic foundation for planning and zoning in the U.S. was laid by two standard state enabling acts published by the U.S. Department of Commerce in the 1920s.

Standard State Zoning Enabling Act and Standard City Planning Enabling Act

Directorate

Advising APA on the Growing Smart project was a directorate appointed by the nation's major organizations that represent elected officials. Included were representatives of the Council of State Community Development Agencies, the National Conference of State Legislatures, the National League of Cities, the National Association of Regional Councils, the National Association of Towns and Townships, and the U.S. Conference of Mayors. In addition, there were several members-at-large who represented the built and natural environments and local government law.

Growing Smart Directorate

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